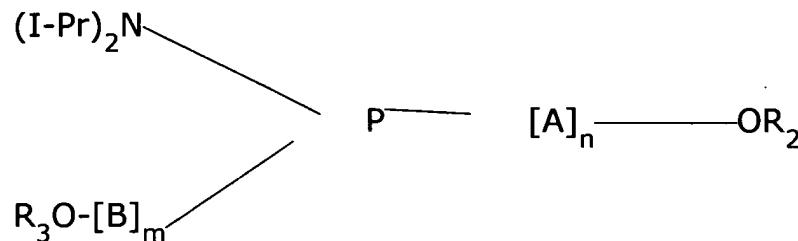


AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as shown below without prejudice or disclaimer. This listing of the claims replaces all prior versions and listings.

70. (Currently Amended) A compound of the formula:



wherein

A is selected from the group consisting of $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, and grafted $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{n1}-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{n2}-$;

B is selected from the group consisting of $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)-$, and grafted $-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{m1}-(\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2)_{m2}-$;

n is [0] 1-50;

n1 is [0] 1-50;

n2 is [0] 1-50;

m is [0] 1-50;

m1 is [0] 1-50;

m2 is [0] 1-50;

I-Pr is isopropyl;

R₂ is selected from the group consisting of H, -CH₃, alkyl, phenyl, -CH₂CH₂CN and CONH₂;

R_3 is selected from the group consisting of H, -CH₃, alkyl, phenyl, -CH₂CH₂CN and CONH₂.

71-76. Canceled

77. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 70 wherein A is -(OCH₂CH₂)-, B is -(OCH₂CH₂)-, n is 2, m is 2, R₂ is CH₃ or CH₂CH₃, and R₃ is CH₃ or CH₂CH₃.

78. (Previously presented) The compound of claim 70 wherein A is -(OCH₂CH₂)-, B is -(OCH₂CH₂)-, n is 3-20, m is 3-20, R₂ is CH₃ or CH₂CH₃, and R₃ is CH₃ or CH₂CH₃.